BOARD OF GOVERNORS OF CONCORDIA UNIVERSITY

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE BOARD OF GOVERNORS HELD ON THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 17, 1983 AT 12:00 NOON, H-762, SGW CAMPUS

ATTENDANCE: Present were: Mr. D. W. McNaughton, Chairman, Mr. W. E. McLaughlin, O.C., Chancellor, Dr. R. W. Breen, Dr. J. S. Daniel, Mr. T. Fenwick, Me. A. Gervais, Ms. F. Griffiths, Dr. S. Hoecker-Drysdale, Dr. M. Hogben. Mr. S. Huza, Prof. C. Jackson, Mrs. B. J. Lande, C.M., Dr. M. Laroche, Ms. M. Lashley, Mr. F. Longpré, Prof. C. Martin, Ms. S. Murray. Dr. J. W. O'Brien, Mr. J. J. Pepper, Dr. T. S. Sankar, Prof. K. Waters, Rev. A. Graham, S.J., Secretary.

Absent with apologies: Mr. M. J. Bourgault, C.M., Mr. R. Burns, Mr. R. L. Grassby, Mr. R. K. Groome, Q.C., Mr. L. Ian MacDonald, Mr. Paul E. Martin.

DOCUMENTS CONSIDERED AND ATTACHED TO THESE MINUTES

BG-83-10-D48 - Memorandum to Board from O'Brien (27-10-83).

THE CLOSED SESSION OF THESE MINUTES ARE ATTACHED HERETO TO FORM PART HEREOF.

OPEN SESSION

1. Approval of Minutes

When the Chairman called for the approval of the minutes a correction was requested on page 6, paragraph 9, Rector's Report, the last sentence should read: "The executive heads were received at breakfast by the Premier and the Minister 0 of Education of Quebec."

It was moved and seconded (Gervais, Huza) and unanimously RESOLVED:

THAT the minutes of the open session of the meeting of October 20, 1983 be approved as amended.

2. Report from the Planning Committee

BG-83-7-D37, -D45, -D45.1. In the absence of the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Planning Committee, Vice-Rector Martin reported that the Planning Committee would like to suggest to the Board that matters concerned in these documents be carried forward to the next meeting. The meeting agreed to the proposal by common consent.

It was moved and seconded (Griffiths, Fenwick) and unanimously RESOLVED:

THAT the Finance Committee of the Board take under advisement the financial implications of the building plans under consideration by the Planning Committee.

3. Hanging of Display of Past and Present Officers

Ms. Griffiths gave a lucid and technical discussion of the pictures of former officers of both Sir George Williams and Loyola College now preserved in our archives. The first eight pictures of the Loyola collection have been overpainted by a non-professional hand and therefore do not have the value they would have if the original sapea photograph had been retained. Many of the pictures of original Sir George Williams University officers are blown up from small photographs. Discussion determined that the Governors wished to have Mr. Queenan prepare photographs according to the recommendation in BG-83-8-D41.

It was agreed that the "Past and Present Officers" referred to in the recommendation are, in fact, the former Chancellors and Principals and the last Chairman of the Board of Sir George Williams University and the former Rectors/Presidents of Loyola College as well as the present and past Chancellors, Chairmen and Rector of Concordia.

It was moved and seconded (Griffiths. Breen) and unanimously RESOLVED:

THAT (1) Concordia have prepared a co-ordinated and attractive display of all past and present officers Principals and Chancellors and last Chairman of tie Board of Sir George Williams, former Rectors/Principals of Loyola, present and past Chancellors, Chairmen and Rector of Concordia); and

THAT (2) the same display be presented on each campus.

4. Dr. Daniel referring to BG-83-10-D42 spoke briefly to the approval of the Concordia Transportation Centre and it was moved and seconded (Daniel, Laroche) and RESOLVED:

THAT the motion tabled at the last meeting be taken from the table.

Tabled motion: THAT the Board officially recognize the Concordia Transportation Centre.

In the discussion the following was observed:

1. The mandate for the proposed Centre as shown in No. 1 under the heading "Background of Document 42", speaking of the development of academic programmes requires the approval of the Faculties which might be involved and University Senate.

2. The "Pure and Applied and Contract Research` referred to in article 2 "Background" in the same document seems to require the approval of the Engineering Faculty which would certainly want to be involved.

3. A question was asked whether the Concordia Transportation Centre actually exists at the present time. Or. Daniel replied that an academic centre that runs an academic programme does not exist.

4. It was alleged that similar centres at Concordia or at other universities require academic authorization. Dr. Daniel replied that the French universities were inclined to be more formal in approving such groupings, but this had not been the custom at Concordia.

5. A question was asked whether the approval of the centre involved any financial costs. Dr. Daniel replied that it did not.

6. Mr. Peter Schwartz, who was present, was granted speaking privileges and stressed the fact that the transportation industry in Quebec had expressed great need for such a centre and many felt that Concordia would be filling an important role in setting up the Centre.

   On the suggestion of the Chair and by common consent, the resolution was returned to the table.

5. Referring to BG-83-10-D45, Dr. O'Brien outlined some of the implications of Bill 65 recently passed by the Quebec government.

   It was moved and seconded (O'Brien, Breen)

   THAT *with reference to Bill 65 the Rector and Vice-Chancellor be deemed to exercise the highest authority of Concordia University and be entitled to delegate all or part of the duties ccnferred on him by the Act to those members the administration whom he names for that purpose.*

   Without amending the resolution, it was proposed and assented to

THAT *at some future time an appropriate report will be made to the Board on how this resolution is to be implemented and how it will affect the University community.*

VOTE: The motion was RESOLVED in the affirmative.

6. New Business

1. A recommendation (not a motion) was expressed that Public Relations be urged to make an effort to publish and spread positive information that might help to avoid such destructive articles as those recently appearing in Le Devoir and The Monitor referring to the recent appointment of a new Rector of Concordia University.

2. Mr. Fenwick asked that information be obtained about the possibility of differential fee charged to Canadian students not from the Province of Quebec. How would such a fee affect Concordia? How many present Concordia students are from other provinces of Canada and how does this compare with the numbers in other Quebec universities?

7. Date, Time and Place of Next Meeting

The next meeting will take place on Thursday, December 15, 1983 at 12:00 noon, H-773, SGW Campus.

8. Termination

The meeting terminated at 2:15 p.m.

Aloysius Graham, S.J.,
Secretary